

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 2932 - HB 3802**

February 5, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Changes the Board of Social Worker Certification and Licensure to the Board of Social Worker Licensure and increases membership to nine members. Deletes the Certified Master Social Worker and Licensed Independent Practitioner classifications and creates four new licensure classifications.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue – \$61,100**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$7,500 / One-Time  
\$53,600 / Recurring**

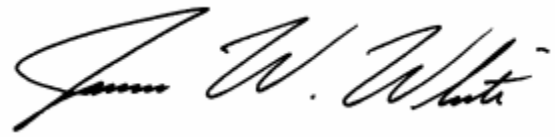
##### Assumptions:

- The Board will hire a licensure technician to assist with the additional applications and the upgrades of current licensed social workers to the newly established licenses.
- The additional positions will result in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$4,300 which includes a computer (\$1,600) and office set-up (\$2,700).
- The additional positions will result in an increase in recurring expenditures of \$51,700 which includes salary (\$27,900), benefits (\$9,800), administrative allocation (\$7,900), communications (\$1,400), office lease (\$4,100), and supplies (\$600).
- The Board holds four meetings per year. This will result in an increase in travel reimbursement expenditures for the two additional members of the Board. It is assumed that each new Board member will travel an average of 400 miles to attend the meetings in Nashville at a rate of \$.46 per mile resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$1,472 (4 meetings x 2 members x 400 miles per meeting x \$.46 per mile). Each Board member will receive \$50 per diem per meeting resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$400 (4 meetings x 2 members x \$50 per diem).
- The Board will need to hold one additional meeting in FY 2009 for rulemaking purposes resulting in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$3,200 which includes the travel reimbursement (\$2,200) and per diem (\$450) of each member and the cost of the court reporter (\$500).

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-3-1011 and 63-1-137, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two year period.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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